

Troopers Arrest Newark Woman for Robbery-Newark

Newark- The Delaware State Police have arrested a Newark woman in connection with a robbery that occurred at the Dicks Sporting Goods earlier today.

The incident occurred on February 16, 2019 at approximately 1:38 p.m., when Troopers were dispatched to the Dicks Sporting Goods located at 100 Center Boulevard for a report of a robbery in progress. Upon arrival, the suspect, 43-year-old **Kelli Collins** who initially attempted to flee from police, was taken into custody in the area of Mall Road and Fashion Center Boulevard. Further investigation revealed that Collins had entered the store, selected approximately \$700.00 of merchandise and proceeded to exit the store with the merchandise in hand. Prior to Collins exiting the store, a male employee approached her at which point Collins held a small knife in her hand and began attempting to strike the employee numerous times. Collins was able to exit the store with the merchandise and began fleeing the scene.

When Collins was apprehended, she was found in possession of approximately 0.1 grams of crack cocaine and drug paraphernalia. She was transported back to Troop 6 where she was charged with the following:

- Robbery First Degree
- Resisting Arrest
- Possession of a Controlled or Counterfeit Substance
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Menacing

Collins was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court 11 and released on \$21,500.00 unsecured bond.

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